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**UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(b)(1)**

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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application hereby submits legible copies of the following relevant arts along with the FORM PTO-1449 which contains the information required by 37 CFR 1.98(b):

A. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2002-224116 published in Japan on August 13, 2002; and

B. U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0133075 issued to Abdehak on September 19, 2002.

Prior art A is in Japanese, and the English translation of this prior art is not available at this time to the undersigned. However, an English language abstract is attached to this non-English prior art. Accordingly, pursuant to MPEP Section 609, the requirement for a concise explanation of the relevance is satisfied, and an English concise explanation of this prior art is omitted herein.

It is, therefore, respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant art and consider them during the prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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